## SAFETY DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE NOTICES RECEIVED DURING APRIL 2008

## **EQUIPMENT:**

Norcold is recalling an undetermined quantity of refrigerators, Models 1200LR, 1200LRIM, and 1201LRIM, manufactured from March 1, 1999 to February 28, 2001, with serial numbers between 1008701 and 1273700. These units were installed as original equipment in various recreational vehicles. A fatigue failure in the section of the cooling unit which contains the refrigerant could allow the liquid solution to slowly leak. If a leak occurs and the refrigerator continues to be operated after solution circulation has ceased, the heat source could generate very high temperatures. At such high temperatures, the steel material of the cooling unit could soften and rupture. If refrigerant gas is still in place when the rupture occurs, hydrogen gas may be expelled and could be ignited by the high temperature, possibly causing a fire. Norcold is working with the RV manufacturers to notify owners and repair the cooling units. This recall is an expansion of 02E-045. Owners may contact Norcold at 1-937-497-3080. 08E-030

Saf-Holland is recalling 2,065 transverse beam assemblies, Part Nos. 90547733, 90547813, and 90548443, installed as original equipment in certain recreational vehicles to aid in providing roll resistance of the drive axle suspension system. In some instances the transverse beam was not properly welded which could result in a failure of the weld. If the weld fails, vehicle stability while cornering could be affected resulting in loss of vehicle control, possibly resulting in a crash. In addition, the transverse beam could drop to the ground causing sparks that could cause a fire hazard. Each vehicle manufacturer will file a defect report and remedy plan for their vehicles which included these transverse beam assemblies as original equipment. Vehicles will be repaired at no cost to the owner. Owners can contact either their vehicle manufacturer or Saf-Holland at 231-773-3271. 08E-031

Dometic has reported a safety related defect covering 745,574 two-door refrigerators manufactured between June 1, 2003 and September 30, 2006, with Serial Numbers that begin with 320 through 352; 401 through 452; 501 through 552; and 601 through 639, installed in certain recreational vehicles as original equipment and sold as replacement equipment. A fatigue crack may develop in the boiler tube which may release a sufficient amount of pressurized coolant solution into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. The release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. The vehicle manufacturers will notify owners of recreational vehicles that had the refrigerators installed as original equipment and Dometic will notify owners of the aftermarket refrigerators. Dometic will install a secondary burner housing free of charge. Owners may contact Dometic at 888-446-5157. 08E-032

Federal Mogul is recalling 6,903 aftermarket ball joint assemblies shipped between November 9, 2007 and March 26, 2008, which may have been packaged with incorrect nuts. The part numbers packaged with incorrect nuts are: K7147, K7329, K8683, and 104353. These parts were made for use on Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth, Ford and Mercury passenger vehicles. The nuts included in the packaging for these ball joint assemblies are missing the intended prevailing torque (self-locking) feature. If the incorrect nut was to become loose, the joining members may loosen leading to a separation of the ball joint. This may result in loss of vehicle control, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash. Federal Mogul will notify owners and replace the parts free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners can contact Federal Mogul at 1-877-489-6659. 08E-033

PACCAR is recalling 292 aftermarket SAF-Holland fifth wheels sold for use on MY 2007 Kenworth T800 short hood, W900 long hood and T600 tractor/trailers. If the pivot bolt joint for the lever bar is over torqued, the spacer deforms, and makes contact with the lever bar. This condition coupled with corrosion associated with the seasonal dry out, can affect the lock system of the fifth wheel, preventing the fifth wheel jaw from latching securely around the trailer king pin. The fifth wheel may fail to latch without the operator's knowledge, causing the tractor and trailer to disengage increasing the risk of a crash. PACCAR is working with SAF-Holland and will inspect the pivot bolt joint for a deformed spacer and replace the bolt, washer and spacer with a hex-head shoulder bolt and washer free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule. Owners may contact PACCAR at 1-425-468-7027 or SAF-Holland at 1-231-773-3271. 08E-034

## TIRES:

Bridgestone/Firestone North America Tire (BFNT) is recalling 143 Bridgestone V-Steel G-Traction 24R21 truck tires manufactured during the months of March and October 2007. These tires fail to conform to the endurance requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 119, "New Pneumatic Tires for Vehicles other than Passenger Cars." The purpose of this standard is to provide safe operation performance levels of tires used on motor vehicles with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of more than 10,000 pounds. BFNT will notify owners and replace the tires free of charge. The recall began on April 21, 2008. 08T-010

Nokian Tyres is recalling 931 Load Range E tires, size LT265/75R16, produced between December 2, 2007 and February 8, 2008. These tires fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles." After testing, a bulge can occur in the lower sidewall on the white sidewall side which indicates the existence of a separation between two lower sidewall components. This condition could result in a vehicle crash. Nokian Tyres is working with Cooper Tire to notify owners. The affected tires will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Cooper at 1-800-854-6288 or Nokian at 1-800-565-2525. 08T-011

Hercules Tire is recalling 2,005 Load Range E tires, size LT265/75R16, produced between December 2, 2007 and January 12, 2008. These tires fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles." After testing, a bulge can occur in the lower sidewall on the white sidewall side which indicates the existence of a separation between two lower sidewall components. This condition could result in a vehicle crash. Hercules Tire is working with Cooper Tire to notify owners. The affected tires will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Cooper at 1-800-854-6288 or Hercules at 1-800-677-9535. 08T-012

Pro Comp is recalling 1,206 Load Range E tires, size LT265/75R16, produced between December 2, 2007 and January 12, 2008. These tires fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles." After testing, a bulge can occur in the lower sidewall on the white sidewall side which indicates the existence of a separation between two lower sidewall components. This condition could result in a vehicle crash. Pro Comp is working with Cooper Tire to notify owners. The affected tires will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Cooper at 1-800-854-6288 or Pro Comp at 1-866-232-0665. 08T-013

Pirelli Tire is recalling 8,273 tires, size LT 235/80 R 17 Load Range E, produced from July 11, 2005 to October 30, 2007. Tread chunking, tread chunkout, partial tread separation and/or belt edge separation can occur. Any of these conditions can result in a vehicle crash. Pirelli Tire will notify owners and replace the affected tires free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Pirelli Tire at 1-800-747-3554, #2. 08T-014

Del-Nat is recalling 968 Load Range E tires, size LT265/75R16, produced between December 2 and December 30, 2007. These tires fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles." After testing, a bulge can occur in the lower sidewall on the white sidewall side which indicates the existence of a separation between two lower sidewall components. This condition could result in a vehicle crash. Del-Nat is working with Cooper Tire to notify owners. The affected tires will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Cooper at 1-800-854-6288 or Del-Nat at 1-901-775-8124. 08T-016

## **VEHICLES:**

Nova Bus is recalling 19 MY 2003-2006 transit buses built with Cummins ISL diesel engines which were equipped with CM850 fuel systems. The engine high pressure fuel lines from the engine high pressure pump to the engine fuel rail are prone to failure. Failure typically occurs at or under the fuel line fitting attachments. The introduction of high pressure atomized fuel into the engine compartment creates a risk of fire due to possible ignition when the fuel vapor comes in contact with hot surfaces. Dealers will inspect and replace the necessary fuel line fittings and brackets free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Nova Bus at 1-450-472-6410. This recall was the subject of EQ08-001, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-150

Chrysler is recalling 180,963 MY 2007-2008 Sebring and Dodge Avenger vehicles equipped with a standard tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS). Unused electrical connectors for the TPMS may become corroded and could short circuit, which can cause a variety of conditions including engine no-start, dead battery, an inoperative cruise control or remote start system, and/or engine stalling. Engine stalling could cause a crash without warning. Dealers will seal the wires for the TPMS free of charge. The recall began on April 15, 2008. Owners may contact Chrysler at 1-800-853-1403. 08V-152

Daimler Trucks is recalling 724 MY 2006-2007 Business Class M2 trucks. The optional high current tail lamp power distribution module (PDM) was installed in a location highly susceptible to water intrusion. This may lead to a loss of rear lighting. A loss of some or all rear lighting on the vehicle under certain conditions may impair visibility of the truck increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will relocate the PDM to inside the cab behind the driver's seat free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or about May 30, 2008. Owners may contact Daimler Trucks at 1-800-547-0712. 08V-154

Glaval Bus is recalling 466 transit buses equipped with Ricon platform style wheelchair lifts. These buses fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, "Platform Lift Installations in Motor Vehicles." The threshold warning system may not detect the presence of a wheelchair or mobility aid user in a certain spot within the defined threshold area. The user of the lift could be injured should the lift move unintentionally. Glaval Bus is working with Ricon to correct the wheelchair lifts free of charge (Please see 07E095). Owners may contact Ricon at 1-800-322-2884 or Glaval Bus at 1-574-262-2212. 08V-155

Volkswagen is recalling 412,000 MY 1999-2005 Passat (5th Generation) vehicles equipped with automatic transmissions and produced after June 14, 1999. These vehicles may have an underbody heat shield that can become damaged. If this occurs, the heat shield may contact the exhaust system, which can result in a vehicle fire. In addition, affected vehicles with automatic or manual transmissions may have a fuel line (1.8T engines only) or fuel tank ventilation valve (4Motion All Wheel Drive only) that can leak due to fracture. A heat shield that may contact the exhaust system can result in a vehicle fire. In addition, a fuel leak from a fuel line or fuel tank ventilation valve, in the presence of an ignition source, can lead to a vehicle fire. Dealers will install additional underbody heat shields on vehicles with automatic transmissions to cover the possibly damaged areas and flash all 1.8T vehicles with a precautionary software update. Dealers will also inspect and adjust the fuel line routing on 1.8T vehicles and the fuel tank ventilation valve on 4Motion/All Wheel Drive vehicles, and replace components if necessary free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or about May 30, 2008. Owners may contact Volkswagen at 1-800-822-8987. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-008, and an Engineering Analysis, EA07-014, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-156

Volkswagen is recalling 68,240 MY 2001-2004 Audi A6 Quattro vehicles equipped with 2.7L, 2.8L, or 3.0L engines and MY 2001-2005 Audi Allroad Quattro vehicles equipped with 2.7L or 4.2L engines. The aging of the plastic material in the fuel tank rollover valve combined with bending stress from the aluminum ventilation line to the rollover valve nipple may lead to cracking of the nipple. If this happens, a fuel leak may result. A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source could lead to a vehicle fire. Dealers will reinforce the nipple on the rollover valve to prevent leakage or repair the cracking at the nipple. The recall is expected to begin on or before May 30, 2008. Owners may contact Audi at 1-800-822-2834. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-008, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-157

Kawasaki is recalling 487 MY 2008 EX250J8F and EX250J8FL motorcycles. An engine crankcase vent hole in the air filter box may be blocked. If so, air pressure can build up inside the engine, causing the cylinder head cover gasket to fail and leak oil. If enough oil leaks from the engine, it could drip or spray onto the rear tire. This can create the risk of a crash, possibly resulting in injury or death. Dealers will inspect and repair the air filter box and replace the necessary components free of charge. The recall began on March 17, 2008. Owners may contact Kawasaki at 1-866-802-9381. 08V-158

Daimler Trucks is recalling 900 MY 2008 Freightliner Argosy, Argosy RHD, Cascadia, Columbia, Century ST, Coronado, Sterling Acterra, L-Line and Western Star 4900 trucks equipped with Bendix MV-3 dash control valves. The molded valve body has an incorrect core pin in the injection mold causing the valve body to be oversized in the double check valve area. This condition can allow the rubber double check valve to become lodged in the body opening under certain circumstances. If the double check valve becomes lodged, in the event of a primary reservoir failure, air pressure can leak past the lodged double check valve thereby depleting the secondary reservoir, causing reduced ability for modulating the service emergency brakes increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect the MV-3 dash valve for the production date code. Valves in the affected production lots will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on May 30, 2008. Owners may contact Daimler trucks at 1-800-547-0712. 08V-159

Saab is recalling 57,389 MY 2002-2008 9-5 Series vehicles for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impact." During compliance testing, one of the upper interior occupant protection test points exceeded the standard's requirements. In the event of a vehicle crash, personal injury to occupants may occur. Dealers will install A-pillar trim with improved energy-absorbing capability free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during September 2008. Owners may contact Saab at 1-800-955-9007. This recall was the subject of an investigation, PE-201-20080328, conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance. 08V-160

Hyundai is recalling 393,714 MY 2006-2008 Sonata vehicles equipped with an advanced air bag system which features an occupant classification system (OCS) in the right front seat. The purpose of the OCS is to disable the right passenger seat front air bag when it detects the presence of a child restraint system or small child in the right front seat. The right front air bag is disabled to prevent injuries to a child that may result from air bag inflation during a crash. Misclassification of a small stature adult as a child in the right front passenger seat may cause the air bag to not inflate in a crash that merits air bag deployment and may result in injury to the right front occupant. Dealers will verify that the OCS does not properly recognize a properly seated adult occupant. After verification, dealers will remove the right front seat cushion assembly and ship it to an evaluation and repair facility. This facility will evaluate and repair or reprogram the seat cushion and OCS as necessary. The recall is expected to begin on or about May 26, 2008. Owners may contact Hyundai at 1-800-633-5151. 08V-161

Toyota is recalling 662,178 MY 2003-2004 Corolla, Corolla Matrix and Pontiac Vibe vehicles equipped with power windows. The driver and front passenger door glass bolts may loosen and come off, causing the door glass to separate from the window regulator. Due to the components becoming loose and possibly rattling, an abnormal noise may be heard from the driver and/or front passenger door when operating the power windows. The door glass may separate from the window regulator, bind and shatter during operation of the power windows, causing driver distraction and/or injury. Dealers will replace the driver and front passenger door glass bolts with newly designed bolts free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Toyota at 1-888-270-9371. This recall was the subject of an Engineering Analysis, EA08-004, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-162

Blue Bird is recalling 2,129 MY 2006-2008 All American, Conventional, and Micro Bird school and transit buses manufactured between May 3, 2005 and February 15, 2008, and equipped with Ricon Model 1200, 2000, and 5500 platform style wheel chair lifts. These buses fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, "Platform Lift Installations in Motor Vehicles." The threshold warning system may not detect the presence of a wheelchair or mobility aid user in a certain spot within the defined threshold area. The user of the lift could be injured should the lift move unintentionally. Blue Bird is working with Ricon to correct the wheelchair lifts free of charge (please see 07E095). The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Ricon at 1-800-322-2884 or Blue Bird at 1-478-822-2242. This recall was the subject of an investigation, PE-403-20060816, conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance. 08V-163

Fleetwood is recalling 80 MY 2008-2009 Pulse and Icon Class C motor homes. The entry step attachment cradle/support may bend causing the step to become unsafe. Insufficient structural material strength could increase the risk of personal injuries and vehicle and/or other property damage. Dealers will inspect and reinforce the entry step attachment cradle/support free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. 08V-164

Ford is recalling 3,331 MY 2008 E-350 vehicles built with a 138 inch wheel base. The drive shaft may have been manufactured with a slip yoke that has cracks. The effect of the cracks on fatigue performance is variable, but on some yokes with cracks, the performance is reduced below design specification. Cracks in the slip yoke would progress over time and the slip yoke could fracture without warning while the vehicle is being driven allowing the drive shaft to separate from the vehicle increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will have the drive shaft inspected for manufacturing date and replace it free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673. 08V-165

Ford is recalling 158 MY 2008 Expedition and Lincoln Navigator vehicles equipped with a tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) and the limo builders package. These vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 138, "Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems." The tire pressure was increased from 35 psi to 40 psi without a commensurate update to the TPMS calibrations. The TPMS indicator light will not illuminate when a tire pressure is 25 percent below the 40 psi value stated on the tire placard label occurs. Dealers will reconfigure the TPMS thresholds to the appropriate pressures. The recall began on April 24, 2008. Owners may contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673. 08V-166

United Motors is recalling 1,145 MY 2007 V2C-650 and V2S-650 series motorcycles. These motorcycles were built with fuel tank cap gaskets that prevent proper tank ventilation. This could result in vehicle stalling which could result in a crash and/or fuel leakage which could result in a fire. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule for this campaign. Owners may contact United Motors at 1-800-886-8599. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-024, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-167

Kidron is recalling 706 MY 2003-2008 van trailers equipped with fixed spring suspensions with pintle hook option installed. The suspension may crack in the G-rails in the area between the pintle hook box assembly attachment and the rear spring hanger attachment. Cracks over time will continue until the pintle hook box attachment becomes unsafe for doubles operations, increasing the risk of a crash. Kidron will add reinforcements in the affected area distributing the load over a longer part of the G-rail. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Kidron at 800-321-5421. 08V-168

Honda is recalling 351,000 MY 2003 Accord vehicles. If water enters the windshield wiper motor breather port, which is designed to allow the motor to vent warm air during normal operation, it can result in corrosion inside the motor housing. This can cause a failure of the electrical circuit breaker inside the motor housing. If the circuit breaker fails, it will cause the windshield wiper motor to become inoperative, which can increase the likelihood of a crash in certain conditions. Dealers will inspect the windshield wiper motor for signs of corrosion. If no signs of corrosion are present, a cover will be installed over the wiper motor to prevent water from entering the wiper motor housing. If signs of corrosion damage are observed on the wiper motor, the motor will be replaced. The recall is expected to begin on or about June 17, 2008. Owners may contact Honda at 1-800-999-1009. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE07-060, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-169

BMW is recalling 55 MY 2008 X5 sports utility vehicles for problems with the rear axle stabilizer (antisway bar). These vehicles were equipped with a sports-suspension stabilizer rather than a standard suspension stabilizer on the rear axle. In certain driving conditions, such as fast lane changes at high speed, the vehicle could experience an 'over-steer' behavior affecting vehicle handling and control, which could increase the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the rear axle stabilizer. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact BMW at 1-800-831-1117 or via e-mail to CustomerRelations@bmwusa.com. 08V-170

Vectrix is recalling 616 MY 2007 scooters. The battery module interconnect cables can become loose at the battery terminal within the battery packs. If loose, the battery can overheat. Overheating may cause damage to the battery packs and possibly to the bike which could result in a potential fire hazard. Dealers will replace the battery pack. The recall began on April 14, 2008. Owners may contact Vectrix at 1-877-832-8749. 07V-171

New Horizons is recalling 327 fifth wheel and travel trailers equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. New Horizons will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. Dometic has retained Stericycle Inc. to manage this campaign. Stericycle will assist the owner in locating dealerships or service centers and will provide assistance with scheduling of appointments. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157or New Horizons at 1-800-235-3140. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-172

Sportsmobile is recalling 6 MY 2003-2006 2500 Sprinter Van Class B regular body and extended body recreational vehicles equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Sportsmobile will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (Please See 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. The recall began on April 10, 2008. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or Sportsmobile at 1-512-835-4409. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-173

Mobile Concepts is recalling 35 MY 1997-2001 Scotty single, double, and triple trailers and MY 1998 Models 2400 and 2700 trailers equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Mobile Concepts will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (Please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or Mobile Concepts at 1-724-542-7640. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-174

Gillig is recalling 31 MY 2007 29 foot low floor transit buses equipped with SAF-Holland ADL series rear suspensions. In some instances the transverse beam was not properly welded which could result in a failure of the weld. If the weld fails, vehicle stability while cornering could be affected resulting in loss of vehicle control, possibly resulting in a crash. In addition, the transverse beam could drop to the ground causing sparks that could cause a fire hazard. Gillig is working with SAF-Holland to have a visual inspection of the ADL transverse beam performed. If a weld defect is identified, SAF-Holland will provide a service replacement kit that contains a new transverse beam, all necessary installation hardware, beam replacement, and instructions free of charge (please see 08E031). The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Gillig at 1-510-264-5031 or SAF-Holland at 1-231-773-3271. 08V-175

Paccar is recalling 172 MY 2007 Kenworth T800 short hood, W900 long hood and T600 tractor/trailers equipped with SAF-Holland Simplex fifth wheels. If the pivot bolt joint for the lever bar is over torqued, the spacer deforms, and makes contact with the lever bar. This condition, coupled with corrosion associated with the seasonal dry out, can affect the locking system of the fifth wheel, preventing the fifth wheel jaw from latching securely around the trailer king pin. The fifth wheel may fail to latch without the operator's knowledge, causing the tractor/trailer to disengage increasing the risk of a crash. Kenworth is working with SAF-Holland Simplex and will inspect the pivot bolt joint for a deformed spacer and replace the bolt, washer and spacer with a hex-head shoulder bolt and washer free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule. Owners may contact Kenworth at 1-425-828-5440 or SAF-Holland at 1-231-773-3271. 08V-176

Mack is recalling 66 MY 2009 GU trucks equipped with Bendix MV-3 dash control valves. The molded valve body has an incorrect core pin in the injection mold causing the valve body to be oversized in the double check valve area. This condition can allow the rubber double check valve to become lodged in the body opening under certain circumstances. If the double check valve becomes lodged, in the event of a primary reservoir failure, air pressure can leak past the lodged double check valve thereby depleting the secondary reservoir, causing reduced ability for modulating the service emergency brakes increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect the MV-3 dash valve for the production date code. Valves in the affected production lots will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or about May 9, 2008. Owners may contact Mack Trucks at 1-800-528-6586. 08V-177

Volkswagen is recalling 76,900 MY 2004-2005 New Beetle and MY 2003-2005 New Beetle convertibles equipped with an advanced (dual-stage) air bag system. This system may have air bag frontal crash sensors that contain a solder joint on the circuit board that may crack under certain high temperature conditions. If this occurs, the air bag indicator light will illuminate and the fallback algorithm will ensure that the front air bags always deploy in a frontal crash in which the vehicle's deceleration is high enough to activate the frontal air bags. In low-severity frontal impacts, the front air bags may deploy more forcefully than designed, increasing the possibility of injury to out-of-position front seat occupants. Dealers will inspect each vehicle to determine that the specific defect crash sensor is present on one or both sides of the vehicle. All of the defect crash sensors will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or before July 31, 2008. Owners may contact Volkswagen at 1-800-822-8987. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-012, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-178

Monaco is recalling 811 Monarch, Lapalma Rear Gas and Lapalma Diesel, Holiday Rambler Admiral, Vacationer Rear Gas, Vacationer Diesel. and Safari Simba motor homes with the inverter option. The optional inverter is not protected by a fuse as the result of a production error. The fuse should be installed in the battery compartment in the rear of the passenger side of the motor home between the battery source and the inverter. The inverter is to be a protected appliance by code requirement. With no fuse installed, a vehicle fire may result from failure of the inverter. Dealers will install a 125amp fuse to protect the inverter free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or before May 15, 2008. Owners may contact Monaco at 1-800-685-6545. 08V-179

Yamaha is recalling 9,600 MY 2006-2007 CP250 and MY 2005-2007 YP400 motorcycles. The engine could stall and be difficult to restart because the wire terminals in the fuel pump wire coupler have corroded. Water can enter from the main wire harness end and run through the harness to the fuel pump coupler. If the water remains in the coupler for an extended period of time, the terminals can become corroded, which can prevent the fuel pump from operating properly. If this corrosion affects fuel pump operation while the scooter is being ridden, there could be a crash resulting in injury or death. Dealers will install a sub-harness which is designed to allow any water between the wire harness and the fuel pump to drain out before it reaches the fuel pump. The dealer will also inspect the connectors. If either the main wire harness connector or the fuel pump connectors is already corroded, the corresponding assembly will also be replaced. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Yamaha at 1-800-962-7926. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-018, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-180

Toyota is recalling 90,189 MY 2008 Highlander and Highlander Hybrid vehicles equipped with a third row seat. These vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208, "Occupant Crash Protection." The non-driver designated seating positions (DSP) on these vehicles are equipped with seat belt assemblies that have a feature that converts the retractor from an emergency locking retractor (ELR) to an automatic locking retractor (ALR). The belts convert to the ALR mode after the webbing has been fully withdrawn from the retractor. The system is designed so that as the belt is released into the retractor, the system remains in the ALR mode so that a child restraint system can be tightly secured. However, for the two third row seating positions on these vehicles, the ALR mode deactivates before the webbing is fully retracted, so that it will not lock when certain rearfacing child restraint systems that have a short seat belt routing path are installed in the vehicle. This can allow the seat belt webbing to spool out during normal driving maneuvers, which could affect the stability of a child restraint installed at those seating positions. As such, this could discourage the use of a child restraint and in the event of a crash, the child may not be adequately protected possibly resulting in injury. Dealers will install a newly designed seat belt component free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule for this campaign. Owners may contact Toyota at 1-800-331-4331. This recall was the subject of an investigation, OA-208-071120E, conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance. 08V-181

Champion Bus is recalling 503 MY 2005-2008 Defender, Challenger, CTS-RE, CTS-FE and Crusader buses equipped with Ricon platform style wheelchair lifts. These buses fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, "Platform Lift Installations in Motor Vehicles." The threshold warning system may not detect the presence of a wheelchair or mobility aid user in a certain spot within the defined threshold area. The user of the lift could be injured should the lift move unintentionally. Champion Bus is working with Ricon to correct the wheelchair lifts free of charge (please see 07E095). Owners may contact Ricon at 1-818-267-3000 or Champion Bus at 1-800-331-5761. 08V-182

Sport Trailers is recalling 4 MY 1997 RM2652, MY 1999 RM 2652, MY 2000 RM 3863 and MY 2002 RM 2852 recreational trailers equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Sport Trailers will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. Dometic has retained Stericycle Inc. to manage this campaign. Stericycle will assist the owner in locating dealerships or service centers and will provide assistance with scheduling of appointments. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or Sport Trailers at 1-909-888-5003. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-183

Columbia Northwest is recalling 7 MY 2003 Aliner Sportliner, Aliner, Cabin A, and Cabin Cruiser folding campers equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Columbia Northwest will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. Dometic has retained Stericycle Inc. to manage this campaign. Stericycle will assist the owner in locating dealerships or service centers and will provide assistance with scheduling of appointments. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or Columbia Northwest at 1-724-423-7440. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-184

Sunray RV is recalling 71 MY 2003-2004 19FRB, 24BH, 27SQ, 28BH and 30BH recreational vehicles equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Columbia Northwest will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. Dometic has retained Stericycle Inc. to manage this campaign. Stericycle will assist the owner in locating dealerships or service centers and will provide assistance with scheduling of appointments. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or SunRay RV at 1-423-626-7243. This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-185

Host is recalling 10 MY 2002 Yellowstone DS, MY 2004 Yellowstone DS, Rainier DS, Tahoe DS campers, and MY 2004-2005 Pathfinder recreational trailers equipped with a two-door refrigerator manufactured by the Dometic Corporation. The refrigerator may have a defect in the boiler tube. Pressurized coolant solution could be released into an area where an ignition source (gas flame) is present. Release of coolant under certain conditions could ignite and result in a fire. Columbia Northwest will be working with Dometic in order to repair these refrigerators (please see 06E076). Dometic will repair these refrigerators by installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse, and a melt fuse free of charge. Dometic has retained Stericycle Inc. to manage this campaign. Stericycle will assist the owner in locating dealerships or service centers and will provide assistance with scheduling of appointments. Owners may contact Dometic/Stericycle at 1-888-446-5157 or Host at This recall was the subject of EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-186

Nissan is recalling 1,126 MY 2008 Quest, Titan and Armada vehicles equipped with manual adjustment front seats. These vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 207, "Seating Systems." The seat track assembly may have been manufactured out of specification. This may result in the manual seat pawl not fully engaging increasing the risk of personal injuries in the event of a crash. Dealers will inspect the seat track assembly on the driver's and front passenger seats and replace the entire seat assembly free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or about May 16, 2008. Owners may contact Nissan at 1-800-647-7261. 08V-187

Silver Eagle is recalling 133 MY 2006-2008 Hawk Dollies CS and CSA, Tandem Dollies CTL and CTA, and Falcon Dollies CSU models equipped with SAF-Holland Simplex SE or SE II fifth wheels. The latch lever pivot bolt assembly may have been over-tightened which could distort the pivot bolt spacer sleeve. Corrosion or contaminates in the pivot may cause it to bind and prevent the fifth wheel jaw from latching securely around the trailer king pin. There is a possibility that the fifth wheel may fail to latch without the driver's knowledge. When this occurs, the driver could drive away and the trailer could become disengaged increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the pivot bolt and sleeve with a hex head shoulder bolt and washer. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Silver Eagle at 1-800-547-6792. This recall was the subject of EQ07-007, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-188

Four Winds is recalling 104 MY 2008-2009 Chateau Sport, Dutchmen Express, and Four Winds 5000 motor homes. These motor homes may have improper routing of the propane gas line within the slide-out room. Continued operation of the slide-room may result in a rupture of this propane supply line potentially causing a gas leak, fir or explosion resulting in serious injury or death. Four Winds will instruct owners to immediately turn off the propane supply valve, suspend use of propane appliances, and take the motor home to their nearest Four Winds dealer or service center for repair. Dealers will reconfigure the propane supply line to allow proper movement of the line without binding or chafing. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule for this campaign. Owners may contact Four Winds at 1-800-860-5658. 08V-189

Paccar is recalling 3,573 MY 2007 Kenworth C500, T800, T600, T2000, and W900 chassis built with Phillips QCS II trailer cable connection and trailer cable mounting bracket with 'U-shaped' cut out. Certain trailer cable mounting brackets have a 'U-shaped' cut out that only partially supports the trailer cable connection. Partial support of the cable connection may allow the molded boot and electrical ground pin to partially or completely pull away from the 7-way socket. Partial or complete detachment of the cable connection can cause reduced water resistance and potential loss of electrical ground. There is also a possibility the trailer lights may fail to illuminate without the operator's knowledge. If this condition were to occur, other motorists may not be warned of the tractor/trailer movements, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will install a reinforcement bracket between the flexible back of the QCS II molded boot and the frame bracket, and reattach the supporting bolts. The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Kenworth at 1-425-828-5440. This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE08-011, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 08V-190

Ford is recalling 64,754 MY 2008 F-250 and F-350 single rear wheel, 4x4, 156 inch wheel base pickup trucks equipped with a two piece drive shaft for failing to conform to the fuel spillage requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 301, "Fuel System Integrity." During a 30 mph frontal impact into a rigid barrier, the fuel tank can move forward and contact a frame cross member, potentially causing damage to the fuel delivery module which can result in fuel spillage. Fuel spillage, in the presence of an ignition source, could result in a fire. Dealers will install a bracket on the affected vehicles free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on or before May 26, 2008. Owners may contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673. 08V-191

Coachmen is recalling 145 MY 2007 Cross Country and MY 2007-2008 Sportscoach Encore and Pathfinder Class A motor homes built on Freightliner chassis. The fasteners that attach the steering arm or tie rod arms to the spindle may be over or under-tightened. Incorrectly tightened steering arm fasteners may fatigue and fracture which could cause a crash without warning. Coachmen is working with Freightliner to repair these vehicles (please see 07V306). Owners may contact Freightliner at 1-800-547-0712 or Coachmen at 1-574-825-5821. 08V-192

Coachmen is recalling 961 MY 2005-2007 Cross Country, Sportscoach Elite, MY 2005-2006 Cross Country SE, and MY 2006 Sportscoach Encore Class A motor homes built using inline power steering filters, Part No. 14-16829-000. The filter can plug due to failure of the screen adhesion to the filter housing causing a rise in return line pressure. This can lead to hose separation from the filter or steering gear fitting resulting in a sudden loss of steering fluid and power assist. Sudden loss of steering assist without warning involving a motor home could be a problem for certain drivers increasing the risk of a crash. Coachmen is working with Freightliner to replace the affected filters with a larger filter (please see 07V570). Owners may contact Freightliner at 1-800-547-0712 or Coachmen at 1-574-825-5821.

Four Winds is recalling 120 MY 2006-2007 Valencia motor homes built on Freightliner chassis. The chassis contain steering filters that can plug due to failure of the screen adhesion to the filter housing causing a rise in return line pressure potentially leading to a hose separation from the filter or steering gear fitting resulting in a sudden loss of steering fluid and power assist. Sudden loss of steering assist without warning involving a motor home could be a problem for certain drivers increasing the risk of a crash. Freightliner is conducting this recall and will replace the affected filters with a larger filter (please see 07V-570). The recall is expected to begin during May 2008. Owners may contact Freightliner at 1-800-547-0712 or Four Winds at 1-800-860-5658. 08V-194

Hino is recalling 16,805 MY 2005-2008 NA6J, NB6J, NC6J, ND8J, NE8J, NJ8J, and NV8J trucks. The two vertical right/left side front spring bracket bolts were not tightened properly during the assembly process. This may cause increased stress on the spring bracket which can lead to cracking of the bracket. This could reduce steering control increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the vertical front spring bracket attachment bolts on right/left hanger brackets and re-torque all associated bolts free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule. Owners may contact Hino at 1-248-648-6430. 08V-195

Eldorado National - California (ENC) is recalling 10 MY 2007-2008 MST buses built on Freightliner chassis. The fasteners that attach the steering arm or tie rod arms to the spindle may be over or undertightened. Incorrectly tightened steering arm fasteners may fatigue and fracture causing a crash without warning. ENC is working with Freightliner to repair these vehicles free of charge (please see 07V306). Owners may contact Freightliner at 1-800-547-0712 or Eldorado National at 1-909-591-9557. 08V-196

Volvo is recalling 7 MY 2008 V50 passenger vehicles equipped with roof rails. Bolts have been found to be out of specification. This has caused less tread length on the bolts which in turn has lead to insufficient clamping force in the joint due to the washer getting stuck when tightening the bolts. When carrying roof cargo, the rails may come loose during heavy braking and/or sudden stops increasing the possibility of a crash. Due to the limited number of vehicles involved, owners have been notified and will have the roof rail bolts replaced free of charge. Owners may contact Volvo at 1-800-458-1552. 08V-197